RFI-11-10 Question/Inquiry Responses August 17, 2010

- Q1. Will the ICES Consultant and ICES System Development RFS/RFP(s) also be posted on the State Purchasing site?
- A1. All RFS/RFP(s) released by the State are posted on the State Purchasing Website.
- Q2. Do you have any idea how either the consultant or the system development will be funded?
- A2. The State will rely on a combination of State and Federal funds to pay for consultant (planning) services and/or system development.
- Q3. Do you think that the consultant RFS would be issued before the end of 2010?
- A3. If the State issues a consultant (planning) services RFS, it will be issued in the Fourth Quarter of calendar year 2010 or the First Quarter of calendar year 2011.
- Q4. Page 2: Specific Needs. Can the State please clarify, that the intention of the third bullet is for a vendor to provide oversight of the State's project management and change management activities during planning and not perform these activities?
- A4. The State has not yet determined if the vendor(s) will be responsible for performing project management and change management activities in a planning services RFS. In your response to the RFI, please describe your approach to performing the aforementioned activities.
- Q5. Page 3: Responses. Can the State please clarify if the Original copy is required to be a hard copy document? Is the State expecting 1 hard copy marked as Original, and 5 individual CDs?
- A5. Please submit one (1) original printed copy and five (5) complete electronic copies on CD-ROM.
- Q6. If this RFI would ultimately result in a RFS for a Planning Services vendor, does the State anticipate that the scope of the Eligibility Determination System Planning vendor's work would include the preparation of a RFS and acquisition support services for the replacement system integration/development services?

A6. Yes.

Q7. If an RFS for a Planning Services vendor is released, does the State anticipate that the Eligibility Determination System Planning vendor would be precluded from providing future services related to the implementation of the new Eligibility Determination System, such as Independent Verification & Validation, Quality Assurance, or other services to support the State with implementation of the new system?

A7. If an RFS for a planning services vendor is released, the State anticipates that the Eligibility Determination System Planning vendor(s) would be precluded from bidding on a system development RFS. The State anticipates that planning vendor(s) will be allowed to bid on IV&V, QA, or other services requested by the State for the new system provided there are no conflicts of interest at the time of RFS/RFP release for those services, as determined by FSSA in its sole discretion.